

FIRST READERS IN HOUSE  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2016  
SEVENTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

[HB 784.](#)

By Representatives Carson of the 46th, Maxwell of the 17th, and Lumsden of the 12th:  
A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to provide that certain insurer advertising and promotional items not exceeding \$100.00 in value will not be considered an unfair trade practice or an unlawful inducement; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INSURANCE

[HB 785.](#)

By Representatives Dudgeon of the 25th, Wilkinson of the 52nd, Atwood of the 179th, Duncan of the 26th, Jones of the 167th, and others:  
A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local government, so as to provide for the creation of townships; to conform related laws; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[HB 786.](#)

By Representative Buckner of the 137th:  
A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Manchester, approved August 16, 1909 (Ga. L. 1909, p. 1071), as amended, particularly by an Act approved August 20, 1923 (Ga. L. 1923, p. 739), an Act approved March 28, 1990 (Ga. L. 1990, p. 4980), and an Act approved April 10, 2014 (Ga. L. 2014, p. 3692), so as to change provisions relating to the filling of vacancies in the offices of members of the governing authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -  
LOCAL

[HB 787.](#)

By Representatives Dickson of the 6th, Broadrick of the 4th, and Tarvin of the 2nd:  
A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide for a homestead exemption from City of Varnell ad valorem taxes for municipal purposes in the full amount of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that city who are 65 years of age or older or who are the unremarried spouses of deceased firefighters, police officers, or military veterans; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to provide for applicability; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -  
LOCAL

[HB 788.](#)

By Representatives Kidd of the 145th, Epps of the 144th, Powell of the 32nd, and Battles of the 15th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 1 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions of retirement and pensions, so as to provide that a member of a retirement system shall be eligible to change his or her designated beneficiaries at any time; to require retirement system administrators to promulgate the method to make such change; to provide for definitions; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on RETIREMENT

[HB 789.](#)

By Representatives Kidd of the 145th and Epps of the 144th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties only, so as authorize the power to grant franchises to or make contracts with certain utility systems and to charge certain fees as a result of such franchise agreements or contracts; to provide for a definition; to provide for procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on ENERGY, UTILITIES & TELECOMMUNICATIONS

[HB 790.](#)

By Representatives Raffensperger of the 50th, Dudgeon of the 25th, Rice of the 95th, Duncan of the 26th, and Clark of the 98th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 10 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to obstruction of public administration and related offenses, so as to change provisions relating to transmitting a false public alarm; to provide a definition; to change penalty provisions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY NON-CIVIL

[HB 791.](#)

By Representatives Kidd of the 145th, Epps of the 144th, and Powell of the 32nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 4 of Article 3 of Chapter 1 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ride share network services and transportation referral services, so as to require ride share network services and transportation referral services to provide access to wheelchair accessible vehicles; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on REGULATED INDUSTRIES

[HB 792.](#)

By Representatives Brockway of the 102nd, Pak of the 108th, Quick of the 117th, Cooke of the 18th, Ballinger of the 23rd, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to carrying and possession of firearms, so as to authorize the carrying, possession, and use of electroshock weapons by persons who are students or who are employed at a public institution of postsecondary education; to provide for a definition; to provide for conditions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY & HOMELAND SECURITY

[HB 793.](#)

By Representatives Ballinger of the 23rd, England of the 116th, Hatchett of the 150th, Rutledge of the 109th, Yates of the 73rd, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 48-5-41 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property exempt from taxation, so as to revise the definition of fraternal benefit association; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on WAYS & MEANS

[HB 794.](#)

By Representative Bentley of the 139th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide that the judge of the Probate Court of Macon County shall also serve as the chief magistrate judge of the Magistrate Court of Macon County on and after January 1, 2017; to provide for the continuation in office and expiration of term of the current chief magistrate judge; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -  
LOCAL

[HR 961.](#)

By Representatives Waites of the 60th, Battles of the 15th, Yates of the 73rd, Alexander of the 66th, Prince of the 127th, and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to authorize the General Assembly to provide by law for dedication of certain existing fees and assessments for the purpose of funding driver education and training courses in public schools with grades nine through 12; to provide that such funds shall not be subject to lapse; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on EDUCATION

[HR 1051.](#)

By Representatives Dudgeon of the 25th, Wilkinson of the 52nd, Atwood of the 179th, Duncan of the 26th, Jones of the 167th, and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that the General Assembly may provide by law for townships for the limited purposes of exercising the power of zoning and the regulation of land use development within the boundaries of such townships and provide for the funding and operation of such townships; to provide for submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[HR 1052.](#)

By Representative Cheokas of the 138th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life of Mr. Thomas William Poole and dedicating a bridge in his memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION

[HR 1053.](#)

By Representatives Kendrick of the 93rd, Fludd of the 64th, Dudgeon of the 25th, Kirby of the 114th, Turner of the 21st, and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the House Study Committee on Technology Workforce Development; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on SPECIAL RULES

[HR 1054.](#)

By Representatives Kendrick of the 93rd, Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st, Smyre of the 135th, Glanton of the 75th, Jones of the 62nd, and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the House Study Committee on Policing and Mental Health; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on SPECIAL RULES

[HR 1091.](#)

By Representatives Raffensperger of the 50th, Cantrell of the 22nd, Setzler of the 35th, Chandler of the 105th, Gilligan of the 24th, and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia so as to provide that this state shall recognize the paramount right to life of all human beings as persons at any stage of development; to provide for submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY